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THE UNITED
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Sole Agents for the
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DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.

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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL Yen 12,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 9,000,000
RESERVE FUND 6,660,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies.

KOBE NEW YORK
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SAN FRANCISCO HONOLULU
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LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.
PARKS' BANK, LTD.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.
HONGKONG AGENCY—INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the daily balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

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S. CHOH, Agent.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1898. [382]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$8,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS. \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

Hon. J. J. BILL-IRVING—Chairman.
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Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER:

Shanghai—J. P. Wade Gardner, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of a per cent,

per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 4% per cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 5% per cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4% per cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898. [6]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT AT 4% PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1898. [10]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP. \$800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS. \$800,000

RESERVE FUND. \$375,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT

ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent. per

annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.

" " 6 " 3%

" " 3 " 2%

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [31]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital. \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital. \$6,344,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—

D. Gillies, Esq.

J. T. Louis, Esq. | Yung Shang, Esq.

Chan Kit Shan, Esq. | Wan Ho Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager,

G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per

Cent. per Annum.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [3]

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

No. 6, Ice House Street, Praya Central.

Head Offices—TOKIO.

Branch Offices—

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOMBAY,

SINGAPORE, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN,

NEWCHENG and all Ports in JAPAN.

Agents—

Mild Coal Mines.

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Cotton Cleaning and Wkgs. Co., Shanghai.

Onoda Cement Company, Japan.

Kanegafuchi Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.

The Miles Cotton Spinning Mill, Limited.

Tokyo Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.

Mayland Clock Factory.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. [11]

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(1)

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON	Manila	H. L. Haddock, R.N.R.	Noon, 5th May	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	Java*	J. Chellaw, R.N.R.	About 13th May	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI	Paramatta	C. F. Preston, R.N.R.	About 13th May	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	Formosa	A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R.	About 14th May	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	Coromandel†, F. N. Tillard		Noon, 14th May	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	Rohilla*	S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R.	Daylight, 15th May	Freight or Passage.
				(Passing through the Island Sea.)
				(See Special Advertisement).

For Further Particulars apply to

A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1898.

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL
AGENCY, LIMITED.

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SOLE AGENT'S IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,

FOR THE

UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY LIMITED, LONDON,

CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE

Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.

HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.

"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.

ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.

ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

SUPERINTENDENT..... THOS. SKINNER.

27] DODWELL CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1898. [152]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

ON BOARD at NOON, the 9th May, 1898.

H.M.S. "VICTOR EMANUEL,"
As she lies in HONGKONG HARBOUR with the

exception of Anchors, MOORING GEAR, and

BOAT and BOAT GEAR.

Length between Perpendiculars 230 ft.

Extreme Breadth, 55 ft. 5 in.

Displacement, 1,157 tons.

BUILT of WOOD COPPER SHEATHED

and FASTENED, WOOD BEAMS. MAIN

MAST is of IRON, REMAINS of PUMPS and

PIPES in the Ship are generally of COPPER

or BRASS.

A List of fittings to be Sold with the Ship may

be seen at the OFFICE of the NAVAL STORE

KEEPER and or of the AUCTIONEERS.

TERMS.—Cash before delivery and the

Clearance to be effected within Seven Days after

date of the Sale.

A Launch will leave MURRAY WHARF at

11 A.M. and at 11:45 A.M. on the day of the

Sale to convey intending Purchasers.

Inspecting orders can be obtained from the

Auctioneers.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1898. [152]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 188.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of

Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction,

to be held on the spot on

MONDAY,

the 9th day of May, 1898, at 3 P.M., are

published for general information.

To-day's
Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT BILLS:

TENDERS for SPECIE — MEXICAN DOLLARS. Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at to day's sight on the London Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M. on MONDAY, the 9th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, and no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

E. H. GORGES,
Colonel,
Chief Paymaster, China.
Her Majesty's Treasury Office,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION for various accounts, ON

SATURDAY, 7th May 1898,

Commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms Z-land Street No. 2.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Comprising —

DRAWING ROOM SUITES, SIDE and CENTRE TABLES, OVERMANTLES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, BOOKCASE, WRITING TABLES, CHAIRS, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, CUTLERY, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, ICE CHESTS, PANTRY, and BATH ROOM REQUIREMENTS, DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS etc, etc, etc.

ALSO

NEW HOWE GENTLEMAN'S BICYCLE, LADY'S BICYCLE.

3 SINGER SEWING MACHINES. On View at the Undersigned's from THURSDAY, Catalogue issued prior to Sale.

TERMS OF SALE — As Customary,
PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
THE Company's Steamship

"PREUSSEN,"

Captain R. Helmiz, will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, the 5th instant, at Day-light.

For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
THE Company's Steamship

"OHENZOLLERN,"

Captain H. Bleeker, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 5th instant, at NOON.

For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"ENERGIA,"

will be despatched as above on or about the 25th instant.

S.S. "AFRIDI" about 20th June, 1898.
S.S. "PATHAN" 15th July, 1898.
S.S. "MACDOUGAL" 31st July, 1898.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "PREUSSEN,"

THE above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 6th, and THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 20th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN CONVENT CAINA ROAD, has been most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desire to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1898.

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Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & CO.'S WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, RESTAURANTS and Large Consumers.

"Complaints should be addressed to the Manager,

Hongkong, 1st March, 1897.

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TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands, in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Posts.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897.

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DEATH.

At Government Civil Hospital, this morning, LINDSEY STANFORD LAMONT CRAWFORD (eldest Son of D. R. F. Crawford, Esq.), Hongkong, aged 20 years, and 10 months, deeply regretted.

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Mr. MACALESTER recently brought in a bill to enable persons of Irish birth or extraction to adopt the prefixes "O'" and "Mac" before their surnames. This is how the *Globe* deals with the matter:—

THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

The China Association has given a banquet to Sir Henry Blake. Sir William De Vaux presided; Sir William Robles, Sir Clement Smith and one hundred and fifty others were present. Sir William De Vaux in proposing the toast of the evening said that Sir Henry Blake assumes the office of Governor of Hongkong under the most favourable auspices. Sir Henry Blake in returning thanks said that whatever might befall, he entertained the most profound belief that Great Britain would be at the top of the tree, and that British interests would ever be paramount (in China?)

THE WAR.

The revenue cruiser *McCulloch* was reported this morning at Miss Bay, and we have sent out to find if she is really there. She must have left before the fighting began, but she should have news of what happened before her departure, the disposition of the opposing forces, and the plan of action.

H.M.S. *Immortalis* left here this afternoon for Manila.

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A SEARCH FOR A REBEL.

A REPORTER'S EXPERIENCES.

It's an easy thing for an editor to say to a reporter "go and find so-and-so and see what he has to say on this, or that subject," but it is a very different thing when said reporter comes to look for his man. There are many people whom the journalistic rank and file would like to designate only as *x* so-as to see what are missing quantities. Of these be some of the Spanish Admiral from Manila he said it could not be seen. There was a Mr. Knight, who was married to the cousin of the Admiral's wife, living at the Hongkong Hotel, but he had left Manila about two months ago. Regarding Aguinaldo the Consul said it was reported that he was seen in Queen's Road the day after the American fleet left and he was likewise reported to have been subsequently seen in Caino Road. Then came stories that he was at Canton, Macao, and Singapore. The gentleman in question seems to have some of the attributes of that famous bird of Sir Boyle Roche, and he is apparently as hard to locate as a Will o' the Wisp. The Consul is of opinion that the man is still in Hongkong. Reports have come in that he was seen leaving Hongkong lately by one of the Canton steamers but, as in the other instances, there is nothing to support the assertion.

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their interest in Far Eastern Affairs. We concurred most cordially in everything Mr. Keewick had said regarding their indebtedness to the Foreign Office and to Her Majesty's Minister at Peking. The Association had excused nothing but courtesy and good will. The record of objects achieved was a record of that good will. But there were two phases of policy. There were the commercial and politico-commercial questions with which the Association concerned itself; and there were the higher politics which were engaging the attention not only of England, but of Europe and America, at the present moment. There was full confidence that they had, in Sir Claude Macdonald, a man of high courage and ability—(applause)—but whose capacity to be limited by the degree of support he afforded, and the degree of support which the Government is affording Sir Claude at this crisis is another thing from the degree of support the Foreign Office has lent him in working out the problems dealt with in the Report. He would like to ask them the blunt question: "Were they in favour of allowing Russia to occupy a fortified Port Arthur—a Port Arthur which that would convert into a Sebastopol, and that would enable her to dominate the Gulf of Peiping—and exercise paramount influence at Peking—or would they advocate resistance?" They had long recognised that Russian influence was bound to extend over Manchuria, and that she must have an ice-free port on the Pacific; but it did not follow that that ice-free port should take the shape of a powerful fortress in a most important strategic position. There was apprehension that the Government was not sufficiently stiff in realising that contingency; and it was the interest of the Association to get in touch with men who were disposed to exert the influence which a powerful group of members of Parliament could exert for the purpose. The question connected itself naturally with the demands which France had put forward in the Suez. Those demands—so far as they affected Kwangtung, which is the hinterland of Hongkong, and Yunnan, which is half its length on the borders of Burma—appeared to him extravagant. France might protest that her assertion of interest was little more than academic; but those academic interests had a tendency to become practical, and protectors into annexation. And the example of Madagascar taught us what treatment to our commerce then ensued. There appeared a willingness in some quarters to admit that we might allow France a sphere of interest in Kwangtung. It must be remembered, however, that two-thirds of the bed of the West River lay in Kwangtung, and the underlying motive of French policy in South-West China was to divert the trade of that region to Tengking, instead of allowing it to flow down the West River to Hongkong.

PORT ALTHUR.

M. Provost, M.P., said with regard to Port Arthur that the fortifications constructed some years ago were in good condition, although guns were dismantled, and some of them had been removed. It only required some additions to become a fortified naval stronghold, far more powerful than any other country probably could have in China. Hongkong can never be made a Port Arthur without an early running into so many millions that it was far beyond what any Government would spend on it. It has been recognised for a long time that Russia was entitled to have an ice-free port on the Pacific, but we should endeavour to come to some arrangement with her in order to stop short before giving exclusive concessions to create what Mr. Gandy had said would no doubt become a Sebastopol, and might be a menace to our position and commerce in the future. The claims which France had put forward in the south as compensatory to what Russia had asked for in the north were unreasonable, and would, if granted, someday furnish an excuse for making further demands. It was clear that China possessed no power of resistance, and would be compelled to yield unless some steps were taken to support her. There were a considerable number of members in the House who took an interest in China matters, but few of them had any knowledge of the country. He understood that he was one of the only two members who had ever lived in China or were engaged in the trade. The information furnished by questions in the House was not large, and was nearly later than the telegrams in the newspapers. If the suggested dinner was held no doubt some of the members might be present and express their views on the subject, but it was unlikely that any responsible Minister would do so, and no doubt there would be much difference in the views that were expressed. On the other hand, it might be of advantage to a committee of the Association and those members who were interested in the question at the House. If this suggestion was approved he would no doubt be able to arrange for a Conference to be held in a few days in one of the Committee rooms. This would give an opportunity of comparing the views of those connected with the commerce of China and the members who interested themselves in this foreign question.

Mr. Cecil C. Smith said one point had been omitted, that was as to the state of affairs regarding Japan. They had reasonable grounds in the past for believing that Japan would adhere to the terms of the treaty of Shimonoseki; but, inasmuch as Russia has now retired from Korea, it would certainly look as if she had squandered Japan, and that Japan was to make no objection to Russia occupying and fortifying Port Arthur.

The question of a dinner was then put to the vote, and was carried by a small majority; but was abandoned in presence of the little interest it appeared to command.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

EXTRACTS FROM ANNUAL REPORT.

The following paragraphs are extracted from the annual report, at many of the subjects treated of somewhat further than the knowledge at present in the possession of the public:

Commercial Secretary of Legation.—The appointment of Mr. George Jamieson to be Consul-General, while Sir Nicholas Haenlein's duties will in future be solely judicial, has given great and general satisfaction. Mr. Jamieson has been given, in addition, the title of Commercial Secretary of Legation. The change will enable the holder of the appointment to approach the Vicereyn of Nanking with Legation rank. The Governor-General of the Two Kwangs is Superintendent of Trade, also, for the Southern Ports, and is in a position therefore to exercise a determining influence in many respects. He has presumed upon his high task to avoid direct communication with the Consul-General, by replying to despatches through the medium of the Transvaal. Personal intercourse with him will facilitate explanations and conduct to the removal of difficulties. The object of the Association in asking that a Commercial Secretariatehip of Legation might be created is, however, imperfectly met by conferring that rank on an officer whose time is already taken up. His Excellency is likely to find increasing difficulty in abstaining himself from Peking. The Consul-General's time will be increasingly absorbed by the requirements of the important district under his immediate charge. What is wanted is a Commercial Secretary or Attaché, whose duty it shall be to make periodical tours, and to pay special visits to great Provincial Officers if occasion arises.

Land Tenure at Shanghai.—An interesting memorandum by H.M.'s Vice-Counsel of Shanghai, which has been curiously communicated by the Foreign Office, exhibits the inconveniences incidental to the Chinese system of land registration to which the Shanghai Committee invited Sir Claude Macdonald's attention, in May. They arise in no small degree from a slowness and lack of precision which are characteristic of Chinese procedure; but there is perceptible, also, a measurable desire to restrict the meaning of Art. XII. of the Treaty of Tientsin. The language of a treaty is necessarily elastic. Nearly every clause is susceptible of a larger or narrower interpretation; and the tendency of the Chinese authorities has been characteristically towards restriction, in this and other respects. It may be opportune to affirm that the qualifying words, "at the ports or other places," were inserted in the treaty, at Sir Thomas Wade's suggestion, for the express purpose of guarding against such a limited interpretation as the Taotai of Shanghai and Soochow would now like to impose.

Transit Passes in the Two Kwangs.—It is one of the striking successes that have marked Sir Claude Macdonald's tenure of office that he procured the issue, in January, 1897, of proclamations by the Governors of Kwangtung and Kwangsi enjoining respect for transit passes within those provinces. While expressing the Association's cordial acknowledgement of this triumph over a resistance which had been maintained forty years, the committee felt impelled to protest against the right of terminal taxation which the proclamations argued. It is not difficult to distinguish that the Board of Trade gave away the case in 1868, and that their ruling has weighed heavily at Fatsien. Sir C. Macdonald has, moreover, been instructed, in pursuance of a suggestion made by him, to warn the Chinese Government officially that, in the event of such illegal exactation being continued, Her Majesty's Government will have to insist that goods under Transit Pass shall no longer be subjected to any additional charges, terminal or other."

"Lord Salisbury desires me to inform you that Her Majesty's Minister at Peking received, a few days ago, the payment of a fine of \$10,000 for the breach of the 'Transit Pass' regulations recently committed by the farmers of the *leaks* taxes at Fatsien. Sir C. Macdonald has, moreover, been instructed, in pursuance of a suggestion made by him, to warn the Chinese Government officially that, in the event of such illegal exactation being continued, Her Majesty's Government will have to insist that goods under Transit Pass shall no longer be subjected to any additional charges, terminal or other."

"It will be seen that this final sentence is pregnant with large issues."

WATER-POLO LEAGUE.

Yesterday evening the members of the V.R.C. interested in Water-polo met for the purpose of examining, and electing officials for the coming season.

The following elections were made:—

Captain: Mr. W. A. Stepani.

Vice-Captain: Mr. A. A. Alves.

Hon. Sec pro tem: Mr. T. Yale.

Committee: Messrs. Armstrong, A. E. Alves, and Meek and the Captain and Secretary, ex officio.

A suggestion for the formation of an open league competition was warmly received and it was decided to approach the General Committee of the V.R.C. for permission to initiate the scheme under their auspices.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

(Before the Full Court.)

May 4th.

A PROMISSORY NOTE CASE.

Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., said he appeared in this case for the appellant, the defendant in an action heard in the Court below, Manah Singh v. Yeung Chau, in which the plaintiff claimed \$500, principal and interest on a promissory note. The defendant set up the plea of infancy but this plea was disallowed and judgment was given for the plaintiff with costs. He asked for leave to appeal against the decision.

Leave for appeal was granted, and Thursday next was fixed for the hearing of the case.

IN ADMIRALTY JURISDICTION.

(Before the Chief Justice.)

THE "POWAN" AND "KWANGKEE" COLLISION.

In this case the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, owners of the *Kwangkei*, and the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamship Company, owners of the *Powan*, claimed damages arising out of the collision which took place in the harbour at about one o'clock on the morning of January 25th between the vessels named.

Mr. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. H. L. Denys) appeared for the owners of the *Kwangkei*, and Mr. Pollock (instructed by Messrs. Deacon and Hastings) for the owners of the *Powan*.

Mr. Pollock resumed his address on behalf of the defence when the Court resumed to-day.

Mr. Francis replied on behalf of the plaintiffs and the Court adjourned till 3 p.m. to-morrow to deliver judgment.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MAY.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1895.

Barometer 29.867
Thermometer 76.3
Humidity 84.0
Rainfall 15.0

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

On date: 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Barometer: 29.99 29.89

Thermometer: 74 71

Humidity: 63 56

Rainfall: 0.0

TO-DAY.

Wednesday, 4th May, 1898.

(St. Monica.)

Chinese—15th of 4th month of 24th year of Kuan Lung.

Jewish—15th Year, 5659.

Mohammedan—15th Dhul-Hijja, 1315.

Sun-Rise 5.58 a.m.
Sets 5.58 p.m.

High water—Morning 1hr. 50min.

Afternoon 1hr. 50min.

Low water—Morning 1hr. 50min.

Afternoon 1hr. 50min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1839—The imprisonment of the foreign community at Canton ended.

1859—The *ss. Cumfa* plundered by pirates near Hongkong.

1874—Riot in the French Concession at Shanghai.

1884—Roman Catholic Cathedral at Peking inaugurated.

1891—The Sunday Cargo-Working Ordinance passed.

1897—Charly Bassac disaster at Paris; over 140 lives lost.

TO-MORROW.

Thursday, 5th May, 1898.

Chinese—15th of 4th month of 24th year of Kuan Lung.

Jewish—15th Year, 5659.

Mohammedan—15th Dhu'l-Hijja, 1315.

Fest of St. Stanislaus Bishop, worshipped by barbers.

Jewish—15th Year, 5659.

Mohammedan—15th Dhu'l-Hijja, 1315.

Sum.—Rises 5.58 a.m.
Sets 5.58 p.m.
High water—Morning 1hr. 50min.
Afternoon 1hr. 50min.
Low water—Morning 1hr. 50min.
Afternoon 1hr. 50min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1821—Napoleon Bonaparte died.

1826—Empress Eugenie born.

1842—British troops evacuated Ningpo.

1861—Bohiai raid at Swatow.

1871—The *Dolores Urtado*, coolie ship, burnt near Macao.

1879—Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty finally rejected by the U.S. Senate.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

French (*Yarra*) 9th Inst.

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